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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 11, 2007

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2007, for which the date for response is April 11, 2007, in view of the Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed concurrently herewith. A Request for Continued Examination and fee are also filed concurrently herewith. No additional fees are believed due in connection with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees that may become due for this case under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from *Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal, L.L.P.* Account No. 19-3140/MONS:150US. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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